Proclamation

WHEREAS: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. devoted his life to advancing equality, social justice, and opportunity for all, and challenged all Americans to participate in the never-ending work of building a more perfect union; and

WHEREAS: Dr. King's teachings continue to guide and inspire us in addressing challenges in our communities; and

WHEREAS: the King Holiday and Service Act, enacted in 1994, designated the third Monday in January as a national day of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS: since 1994 millions of Americans have been inspired by the life and legacy of Dr. King to serve their neighbors and communities on the King Holiday; and

WHEREAS: serving on the King Holiday is an appropriate way to honor Dr. King, meet local and national needs, bring neighbors together, and strengthen our community and nation; and

WHEREAS: the King Day of Service is the only federal holiday commemorated as a national day of service ("a day on, not a day off"), and offers an opportunity for Americans to give back to their communities and make an ongoing commitment to service throughout the year; and

WHEREAS: each of us can and should contribute to making our community better with increased opportunity for all our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that, I, Virginia O'Halpin, Mayor of the Village of Biscayne Park, Florida, joined by the entire Commission, do hereby proclaim January 18, 2021, as

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day

and call upon the people of Biscayne Park to pay tribute to the works of Dr. King through community service projects on this holiday and throughout the year.

Links to local service opportunities have been posted on the village website.



Dated this 5th day of January 2021

VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA

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